

BOARD OF SELECTMEN Minutes

May 15, 2018

6:30pm - Regular Meeting

Broadcast Studio
423 Webbs Mills Road

Resolution: We, the Raymond Board of Selectmen, recognize our individual and collective responsibilities as leaders and representatives of our community. To this end, we pledge to conduct ourselves in a manner befitting these roles and duties. We pledge and encourage others to "Be the Influence" and to recognize that decisions matter.

<u>Selectmen in attendance</u>: Joe Bruno, Samuel Gifford, Teresa Sadak, Lawrence Taylor, and Rolf Olsen

Selectmen absent: none

Town Staff in attendance:

Don Willard – Town Manager Cathy Gosselin – Deputy Fire Chief Sue Look – Town Clerk

* TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

1) Called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Sadak.

2) Minutes of previous meetings

a) April 10, 2018 - Regular meeting

Motion to approve as presented by Selectman Olsen. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

3) Public Hearing

 a) Consider Application for new Liquor License for The Beacon – Owners Robert and Pamela Wing

Chairman Sadak declared the public hearing open.

Mrs Wing – We are looking to open a Pizza shop in the shopping center and we want to serve beer and wine, and pizza, sandwiches and burgers.

Selectman Bruno – Which location is it?

Mrs Wing – It is where the Community Pharmacy was.

Chairman Sadak – You guys are new and I had some concerns. I thought everything had to be done and in place to approve it and that is why Cathy is here tonight.

Deputy Fire Chief Gosselin – The Fire Department has no issue with you issuing a

liquor license tonight. Since it is new we have nothing to go on for past years. They will need to have a certificate of occupancy in order to open. If the liquor license is in place they can serve liquor on the first day. The certificate of occupancy is issued by the CEO and that is after the Fire Department does the Life Safety Inspection.

Chairman Sadak – So, right now they need our approval to get the liquor license, but they still are under construction and have not gotten the occupancy certificate yet.

Selectman Bruno – So, we do not need to make it contingent because they can not get a certificate of occupancy if they do not pass the Fire Safety?

Deputy Fire Chief Gosselin – Correct.

Selectman Bruno – What is your expected date of opening?

Mrs Wing – We are hoping for mid-June.

Selectman Taylor – I think they will do great.

Chairman Sadak declared the public hearing closed.

Motion to approve the new Liquor License for Robert and Pamela Wing at the new restaurant "The Beacon" by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

4) New Business

a) Update on Age Friendly Community – Sheila Bourque

Ms Bourque – We have a new logo that was created by a St Joseph's student Mira McKinney for free. We wanted to give you an update. We are continuing to meet to have fun or learn. We were accepted in the AARP network and are one of 50 towns to do so. Maine has one of the highest memberships. We are going to conduct a survey to access the age friendliness of Raymond. We have a steering committee and we received an \$1,100 grant from AARP toward the survey. The Windham Eagle will be doing a news piece about the survey which will continue throughout the summer. St Joseph's college will be partnering with us to analyze the data and report results. We have applied for a national challenge grant for an intergenerational adaptive garden. Hancock Lumber has provided \$500 for lumber for this project. The Lion's club, Beautification Committee, a master gardener and the Hawthorne Garden Club have offered help. We would like to thank the following partners:

- Raymond Village Library
- Raymond Community Church
- Raymond Community Garden
- Raymond Lion's Club
- Hancock Lumber
- Raymond Public Safety
- Raymond Public Works
- Beautification Committee
- Hawthorne Garden Club
- AARP Maine

- First Light Home Care
- St Joseph's Community Based Learning for Sustainable Communities
- St Joseph's Corporate Foundation

b) Quit Claim Deeds - Sue Carr, Tax Collector

 Map 053 Lot 032 – Square J Realty – Harmon Road – Sold by Premier Properties to Michael & Susan Bedard for \$18,000 of which the Town of Raymond received \$16,920.

Motion to approve as presented by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

 Map 022 Lot 039 – Geri Bernier – Plummer Drive – Paid all back taxes, interest and fees

Motion to approve as presented by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Taylor.

Unanimously approved.

 Map 069 Lot 079 – Paul Coffin – Wilde Acres Rd – Paid all back taxes, interest and fees

Motion to approve as presented by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

c) Remove Tassel Top Fees from Town Fee Schedule – Sue Look, Town Clerk

To amend the Fee Schedule to put the fees for Tassel Top Park in a separate document since they are not in the control of the Board of Selectmen.

Motion to approve as presented by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

d) Consideration of the RSU #14 Budget Warrant for June 12, 2018 Election – Sue Look, Town Clerk

Annual vote on the RSU #14 Budget to be held on June 12, 2018, in conjunction with the Municipal Election portion of Town Meeting and the State Election. The budget will be finalized at the vote on May 23rd.

Motion to approve by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Taylor.

Unanimously approved.

e) <u>Appoint Election Warden for June 12, 2018 Primary & Referendum Election</u> – Sue Look, Town Clerk

Motion to appoint Suzanne Carr as the Warden for the June 12, 2018, Primary and Referendum Election by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

5) Public Comment - none

6) Selectman Comment

Selectman Bruno – First of all I want to thank the Town of Raymond for voting me into office for the last 29 years in some capacity or other. I truly appreciate your support. My role has been to watch out for the tax payer, to allow young people to move in to Town and afford to live here, to allow elderly people to stay in their homes and not tax them out of existence. That was my goal when I started in the elective process. I have learned so much and I thank all of the people I have served with. At the School Board, the Select Board and the State level, everyone has been great. It is time for me to enjoy a little more leisure time. Thank you. Thank you all. I really appreciate it.

Selectman Taylor – I just want to say, "Thank you, Joe." I have learned so much from you, you are going to be missed. There is nothing better than dealing with someone who is a straight-shooter. You have always let me know if it is the law or your opinion and have not steered me wrong. I appreciate that, and I appreciate you. You have done great for the Town, but you have also done great for me. I appreciate that, thank you very much.

Selectman Gifford – Joe, I would like to add to that. I agree with everything that Lonnie has just said. On a personal note, you are responsible for getting me on this board in the first place and for getting me to run the second and third times. You have been a great member and you will be badly missed.

Selectman Olsen – For people out there looking in, we are always looking for people who can step up and do things. We have been lucky to have Joe and now it is time for people to realize that it is time for them to step up and do the same thing. You can not throw the burden on one person all of the time. Joe has shouldered a lot of burdens, from the School Board... I think the only committee he has not served on is the Budget Committee. Other than that, he has been around Town government and State government for years and years. His service is a great benefit to everyone in the Town and in the State.

Selectman Bruno – I really want to mention the staff – Don and everyone at the Town Office – have been great to work with. I could not do it without them. The Town is in capable hands. We now need other people to step up and take over.

Chairman Sadak – Now it is my turn. You and I have butted heads on so many issues and one thing I have is so much respect for you, Joe. The day I got the call to be on the Select Board I thought, "No. I will end up in divorce court." You all had a work shop with me and you worked through things with me. I don't always know about a subject and can call you and you will talk me off the edge. You will be missed. Your little comments keep these meetings fun and we work together. We are a really good group. I don't see you going away, I see you coming in and putting your \$0.02 in. I thank you for all your advice, for being patient with me, and for teaching me a lot.

Town Manager Willard – I have only seen from 2000 so I don't know you as a School Board member. I have worked with a lot of municipal officials and that head-and-shoulders in terms of commitment to the community, always being available and giving of yourself, I would be hard-pressed to think of anybody in my career who has committed more time or more personal energy to helping to improve their community than Joe Bruno. When I first met him, he told me I needed to start thinking more conservatively because I had been serving a liberal group. In the 12 years that Joe has served on the Select Board the graph of the mill rate pretty much looks like a flat line, so I think, "mission accomplished" there. He has taught me much about the conservative mind and conservative government. I have learned a lot and have always found Joe to be approachable, always willing to do his part and more. For that I am appreciative. He has always been supportive of me and the staff. You will be missed.

7) Town Manager's Report and Communications

a) Confirm Dates for Upcoming Regular Meetings

- June 19, 2018
- July 10, 2018

b) Reminder of Election Schedule

- May 23, 2018 Public Vote on RSU #14 Proposed Budget WHS 6:30pm
- June 5, 2018 Town Meeting at 6:00pm
- June 12, 2018 Primary, Referendum, Municipal, RSU #14 Budget Elections Jordan Small Middle School gymnasium 7:00am to 8:00pm

c) Reminder of Upcoming Holiday Schedule

Monday, May 28, 2018 – Memorial Day

8) Treasurer's Warrant

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Warrant dated May 15, 2018, for a total of \$179,785.52 by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford.

Unanimously approved.

9) Executive Session

a) * Status of Legal Proceedings (Pursuant to MRSA 1 §405 (6)(E))

Motion to enter executive session at 6:30pm as listed above by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Taylor.

Unanimously approved.

Motion to leave executive session by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Olsen.

Unanimously approved.

b) Consideration and Award of Scholarship Applications (Pursuant to MRSA 1 §405 (6)(F))

Motion to enter executive session at 7:30pm as listed above by Selectman Gifford. Seconded by Selectman Bruno.

Unanimously approved.

Motion to leave executive session by Selectman Olsen. Seconded by Selectman Bruno.

Unanimously approved.

Motion to award \$4,500 in scholarships to 8 students by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Olsen.

Unanimously approved.

Selectman Bruno – There are 5 scholarship funds to which anyone can contribute. Please see Town Clerk Sue Look for more information about how you can give.

10) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:47pm by Selectman Bruno. Seconded by Selectman Gifford. **Unanimously approved.**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L Look, Town Clerk